

**Southern Avenue Charter School  
Of Academic Excellence & Creative Arts  
November 17, 2024  
Amerigo's Restaurant: Ridgeway Road  
Board of Directors' Meeting  
2:30-4:30 p.m.**

**AGENDA**

*Reviewing of Menu and Ordering of Meal*

*Distribution of iPads and/or Tablets*

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- I Opening.....Acting Director Stan Burton**
- II Minutes from Last Meeting.....Director Carolyn Willett, Secretary**  
**Questions / Corrections / Approval**
- III State of the School.....Principal Lakeva Bridgeforth**  
**Questions / Corrections / Approval**
- IV Board Budget.....Director Stephanie Walker**  
**-Board Gift to SACS for Teachers and Students: \$10,000**  
**-Questions / Corrections /Approval**

**V Old Business**

**-Committee Reports**

**Fundraising: Golf Tournament**

**Budget & Finance**

**Education / Academics**

**Recruitment**

**Attendance**

**VI New Business**

**-Election of New Assistant Chairman**

**-Resume of Prospective Member -**

**-Board Training Dates: TBD**

**VIII Closure/Next Meeting Date and Time.....Acting Chairman Burton**

**Tentative Date: Sunday, February 17, 2025 2:30 p.m.**



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Southern Avenue Charter Elementary School

November 17, 2024

## Board Minutes

### *I. Roll Call Southern Avenue Charter Elementary School Board*

*II. Process: The Board of Directors meeting was held November 17, 2024, for Southern Ave Charter Elementary School at Amerigo's Restaurant 1139 Ridgeway Road Memphis, TN 38119 at 2:30pm.*

Directors Present: **Judge Walter Evans, Director Carolyn Willett, Chairmen Stan Burton, Director Stephanie Walker (Treasury), Director Tanio Incio, Director Katheryn Smith, Director. Gwendolyn Boykins, Director Tyrus Perry, Director Dell Steiner, Director Anthony Amos, Director Sidney White, Elise Evans, Director of Schools**

### *Call To order:*

*The meeting was called to order by Chairman Stan Burton at 2:34pm who stated we would follow the agenda as written. Director Burton stated the Board members should have received the August 20, 2024, minutes via email. He then asks the Board for any discussion, concerns or questions prior to receiving a motion for approval of the minutes of the August 20, 2024, meeting. Chairman Burton, ask for a motion to approve said minutes. The minutes were approved unanimously after a motion by Director Boykins, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Perry.*

### *III. State of the School Report:*

**Announcement:** Mrs. Elise Evans, Executive Director of Schools, presented a handout with the state of the school's information in a Power Point, as the Principal or Assistant Principal could not be present for this meeting. She stated that the board members should have also received via email The State of the School report prepared by Principal Bridgeforth.

Principal Bridgeforth stated that the school is off to a great start for the year. She stated she and staff are preparing for assessment tests to determine where the children are in each grade. Mrs. Bridgeforth,

Chairman Burton asked the board members if everyone had received the Power Point sent by the Principal and if there were any questions of discussions. A motion was made that if there was no

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discussion concerning the Power Point that it would be approved and placed on the website. The motion was approved after a second by Director Willett.

## **VI. Board Budget:**

*Director Stephanie Walker, board treasurer reported that the fundraiser for this year allowed the board to give the school \$10,000.00 for students' teachers and staff. She stated that this is the last transaction that was made, and this left the balance of the board account with \$7,617.99. Executive Director, Mrs. Elise Evans, stated that the students did a salute to the board of directors with a video on Facebook showing them working on their new laptops. she stated the staff and students were very pleased with the new laptops.*

*Chairman Burton, ask for a motion to have the Board of Directors report approved. A motion was made by Director Stiner and properly second by Director Perry.*

## **V. Old Business:**

### **Committee Reports:**

*Charity Golf Report: Update: Sidney White reported that he is working on the upcoming Golf Tournament. He stated that all committee members should be prepared to work on more than one and to be responsible for the same committees. The event will be 2 day instead of one*

*Budget and Finance:*

*Education and Academics:*

*Recruitment:*

*Attendance:*

## **VI New Business:**

*Election of New vice Chair-Chairperson Burton, ask for nomination for a new vice chair of the board. Mr. Sidney White, nominated Mr. Anthoy Amos, as a candidate for assistance chair. Judge W. Evans 2<sup>nd</sup> the nomination. There were no more names submitted. The Board of Directors voted unanimously to elect Director Amos as the new vice Chair.*

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*Executive Director Mrs. Evans and the entire board of Directors welcomed Mr. Amos, to his new position.*

***Director of Schools Report:***

Mrs. Evans ask that the board members sign up for the committees listed above. She asked Director Perry to work with recruitment and attendance committees. She asked that each board member plan to work with one of the committees by the February meeting. Mrs. Evans, also asked that if anyone know people who had an interest being on our board, please bring in their resume that it may be looked over. Mrs. Evans stated that the board must have training before June 2025 and presented to dates to the members.

Chairman Burton asked for approval of the Directors report, Sidney White made a motion and it was second my Ms. Incio and approved with no abstentions. The next meeting was set for February 16, 2025, and the meeting was adjourned at 4:37pm

**Respectfully Submitted      Ms. L. Madison, Recorder**

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